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Nonprofits in America: new research data on employment, wages, and establishments

BLS recently developed research data on nonprofit organizations, including employment, wages, and the number of establishments. These new data provide insights into this important segment of the U.S. economy. Nonprofit employment, total annual wages, and the number of establishments grew steadily each year from 2007 through 2012, even during the 2007–09 recession. By contrast, these three measures were much more volatile over the 2007–12 period for the total private sector, with employment declining by 3.0 percent over the period and nominal wages and the number of establishments growing much slower than in the nonprofit sector.

In October 2014, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) released a new data series on nonprofit organizations covering the period from 2007 through 2012. BLS frequently receives information requests for this segment of the labor force. This new data product offers important insights into this cross section of the economy.

Many different types of organizations receive tax exemptions from the federal government. Section 501(c) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S. Code) specifies 29 different classifications of nonprofits that are exempt from some federal taxes. These different categories include civic leagues and social welfare organizations (501(c)(4)), chamber of commerce and business leagues (501(c)(6)), and organizations of past and present members of the U.S. Armed Forces (501(c)(19)).

The most common type of nonprofit is section 501(c)(3), with more than 2 out of every 3 nonprofits falling into this category. This classification includes establishments engaged in charitable, educational, literary, animal welfare, child welfare, public safety, religious, or scientific pursuits. The new BLS research data are restricted to this class of nonprofits in the private sector.

Data on the nonprofit sector have many uses. Government agencies estimate nonprofit employment and wages as important inputs in their statistics. The Bureau of Economic Analysis currently uses an estimate of nonprofit data in their gross domestic product (GDP) calculations. The BLS Office of Productivity and Technology also uses nonprofit data when developing its productivity data.

Private sector groups also have a keen interest in nonprofit data. Over the years, researchers from Johns Hopkins University and the Urban Institute have produced numerous studies on section 501(c)(3) nonprofits by using publicly available Internal Revenue Service (IRS) nonprofit data as well as employment and wage data from the BLS Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program.¹ BLS built on and enhanced these approaches in developing this data series.

BLS combined existing QCEW microdata with publicly available IRS records on nonprofit institutions to produce these new research data. Utilizing the existing QCEW data sources avoided any increased respondent burden. The resulting research data measure employment, wages, and the number of establishments for 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

In 2014, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) released guidelines on using existing administrative data sources across federal government agencies to produce new data products. The “big data” concepts outlined in OMB memorandum M-14-06 encourage the sharing of data among federal agencies while preserving confidentiality and privacy.²

Data sources

These new research data series on nonprofit organizations or sectors were developed with the use of two existing data sources: the QCEW microdata and the IRS Exempt Organization Business Master File.

The Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. The QCEW data are the product of a federal–state cooperative program. The data are derived from summaries of monthly employment and total pay of workers covered by state and federal unemployment insurance legislation. The reported unemployment insurance summaries are a result of the administration of state unemployment insurance programs that require most employers to pay quarterly taxes on the basis of the employment and wages of covered workers.

Each quarter, every business with an unemployment insurance-covered employee is required to report monthly employment, quarterly wages, and unemployment insurance contributions to their respective state. State law mandates these data reports. Thus, the QCEW has extremely high coverage rates.

Employment and wage data for workers covered by state unemployment insurance laws are compiled from quarterly contribution reports that employers submit to the State Workforce Agencies. Federal civilian workers are covered by the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) program. Employers not only must submit the quarterly contribution reports, but employers who operate multiple establishments within a state also must complete a questionnaire called the “Multiple Worksite Report,” which provides detailed information on the location and industry of each of their establishments. The Multiple Worksite Report is the only detailed report covering individual worksites for multiple-establishment businesses of its kind. Its quarterly inclusion in the QCEW supports its accuracy for all levels of industry and geographical detail. QCEW data are derived from microdata summaries of employer reports of employment and wages that states submit to BLS; in 2012, these reports covered 9.1 million establishments.

Coverage of unemployment insurance and UCFE is broad and has been largely comparable from state to state since 1978, when the 1976 amendments to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act became effective, expanding coverage to include most state and local government employees. In 2012, unemployment insurance and UCFE programs covered workers in 131.7 million jobs. The estimated 126.9 million workers in these jobs (after adjustment for multiple jobholders) represented 95.5 percent of civilian wage and salary employment. Covered workers received \$6.491 trillion in pay, representing 93.7 percent of the wage and salary component of personal income and 40.0 percent of the GDP.³

Major exclusions from unemployment insurance coverage include self-employed workers, most agricultural workers on small farms, all members of the U.S. Armed Forces, elected officials in most states, most employees of railroads, some domestic workers, most student workers at schools, and employees of certain small nonprofit organizations.

Internal Revenue Service. Information on nonprofits is publicly available from the IRS. Businesses wishing to obtain recognition of tax-exempt status by the IRS must submit a request to the IRS on Form 1023, Form 1023-EZ, or Form 1024. Information that is collected on these forms includes, but is not limited to, the Employer Identification Number (EIN), primary name of the organization, address, a subsection code stipulating the type of tax-exempt status, asset and income figures, and a description of the activities of the organization.

Once the IRS grants an organization tax-exempt status, this status is valid for the life of the organization as long as it complies with the provisions of its exemption. Nonprofits recertify their tax-

exempt status each year using Form 990 or 990-EZ. The data collected through these forms are published through the IRS Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division website.⁴

Nonprofit data from Forms 1023, 1024, 1023-EZ, 990, and 990-EZ are maintained and made public through the IRS Exempt Organization Business Master File. The Exempt Organization Business Master File is a large cumulative dataset that is updated monthly. The file that BLS used to construct these research data series on nonprofit organizations was downloaded in March 2013 from the Statistics of Income website and contained 1.53 million records.⁵ Approximately 1.05 million of these records are classified as 501(c)(3) organizations.

Methodology

BLS created nonprofit research data by combining existing QCEW and IRS databases. This data creation process included two phases. The first phase compared the EINs from the IRS nonprofit database with the EINS from the QCEW database. Only records identified on the Exempt Organization Business Master File as 501(c)(3) organizations were selected. When a match was obtained, all private sector establishments associated with this matched EIN were placed into a preliminary nonprofit database.

Quality review checks were then performed on these selected establishments. BLS staff, looking for anomalies, scanned all matched records. Analysts compared data between the QCEW and IRS databases, looking for differences in the name, address, and functionality of each business. If necessary, the staff reviewed an organization's website to obtain further information. Research on possible incorrect matches resolved discrepancies, leading to the record either being retained as a nonprofit organization or identified as an incorrect match and removed from the nonprofit database. If the record was identified as an incorrect match, it was placed in a "false-match" database to be retained for future exclusion.

False matches may occur for a variety of reasons. It is well known that businesses can have multiple EINs and may use one of the EINs for various purposes, not always using the same EINs consistently. Data entry errors also may be a source of false matches.

State Workforce Agency staff then reviewed a portion of the IRS–QCEW-matched record file. These state analysts performed quality checks on the matched-EIN data similar to those performed on the selected establishments. Any record that they identified as an incorrect match was added to the false-match dataset.

The second phase in the creation of a nonprofit dataset was to identify nonprofit organizations that may have been missed in the EIN-matching process. Specifically, this step involved identifying unmatched records that are termed "reimbursables." Under state unemployment insurance laws, some establishments are not required to submit quarterly unemployment insurance contributions. Instead, these organizations are allowed to reimburse the unemployment insurance system when a claim is made. The QCEW database includes a variable that indicates the reimbursable status of an establishment, which allows BLS to identify these records.

Some of the records that EIN matched from the IRS dataset to the QCEW were reimbursables. However, for various reasons, not all reimbursable organizations file with the IRS and, as a result, are not listed on the Exempt Organization Business Master File.

To include these missing organizations, analysts placed all private sector establishments in the QCEW database with a reimbursable flag in a separate file. Then records already paired in the EIN-matching phase were removed, creating a dataset of unmatched reimbursables.

Most states restrict such reimbursable units to section 501(c)(3) nonprofits but not always. Twenty-nine states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands exclusively designate a reimbursable establishment as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. A complete state-by-state listing of which states restrict reimbursables to 501(c)(3) organizations can be found on the nonprofits page on the BLS website.⁶

Establishments located in states which confirmed that a reimbursable flag exclusively designated a 501(c)(3) organization were retained as in-scope nonprofits. BLS sent the remaining 21 states a listing of all unmatched reimbursable establishments within their state. States reviewed business names and addresses and other information to indicate whether each business should be included as a section 501(c)(3) or not. Any unit determined not to be a 501(c)(3) was placed in the dataset of false matches. All other records were retained as in-scope nonprofits.

The inclusion of the “unmatched reimbursables” added roughly 400,000 in employment and is the single most important improvement to the Johns Hopkins methodology.⁷

Outside review

BLS asked organizations in the nonprofit community to review all aspects of this project. Their comments and suggestions aided BLS staff in this first-time research and ensured that the project results would be useful to the public. After completing confidentiality training, outside experts from Johns Hopkins University and the Urban Institute participated in the review.

An earlier report by Johns Hopkins University on nonprofit organizations excluded all records in the Commercial Banking industry (North American Industry Classification System [NAICS] 522110).⁸ After the Johns Hopkins and Urban Institute experts reviewed the microdata for this industry, they determined that, in many cases, these records were legitimate nonprofit organizations. As a result, this industry is included in the current QCEW nonprofit methodology.

These research experts also helped identify false matches. Microdata records from all industries were reviewed, and any incorrect matches were added to the false-match dataset.

Findings

BLS developed nonprofit data on the figures of private sector employment, wages, and establishment for section 501(c)(3) organizations. All data series are for annual average estimates for the years 2007–12. Data are available nationally at the NAICS two-digit industry and NAICS three-digit industry levels. State-level data are available at the NAICS two-digit industry level. These research data on nonprofit sector can be accessed on the BLS website.⁹

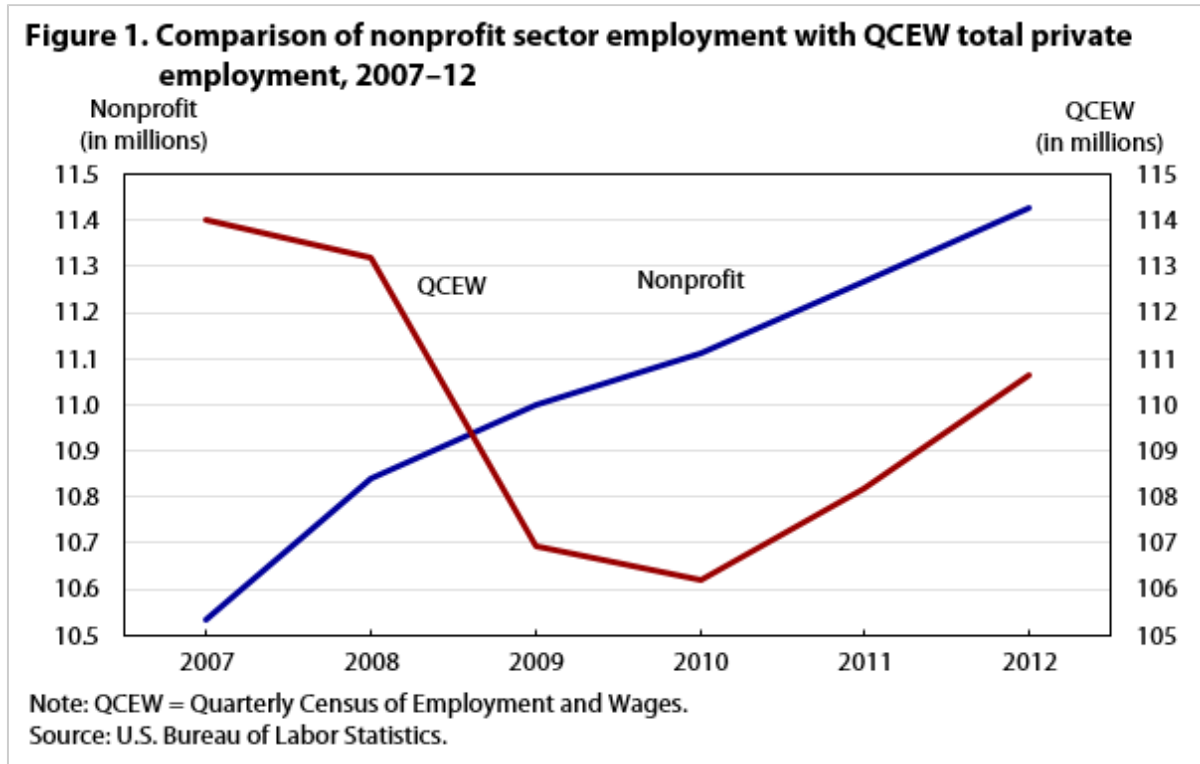
Nonprofit employment, total annual wages, and the number of establishments grew steadily each year from 2007 through 2012. Over this period, nonprofit employment increased 8.5 percent, from 10.5 million jobs to 11.4 million jobs. Nonprofit employment increased every year during the 2007–12 review period, even during the 2007–09 recession. Total annual wages (not adjusted for inflation) increased from \$421 billion in 2007 to \$532 billion in 2012, a nominal increase of 26 percent. During this same period, the number of nonprofit establishments increased 15 percent, from 232,396 to 267,855. (See table 1.)

Table 1. Number of establishments, average employment, and total annual wages in private sector nonprofit organizations, 2007–12

Year	Nonprofits		QCEW total private sector	
	Levels	Over-the-year percent change	Levels	Over-the-year percent change
Annual average number of establishments				
2007	232,396	—	8,681,001	—
2008	240,272	3.4	8,789,360	1.2
2009	247,026	2.8	8,709,115	−0.9
2010	254,236	2.9	8,695,598	−0.2
2011	261,673	2.9	8,775,657	0.9
2012	267,855	2.4	8,826,016	0.6
2007–12 change	35,459	15.3	145,015	1.7
Annual average employment				
2007	10,534,183	—	114,012,221	—
2008	10,837,928	2.9	113,188,643	−0.7
2009	10,997,668	1.5	106,947,104	−5.5
2010	11,111,096	1.0	106,201,232	−0.7
2011	11,265,233	1.4	108,184,795	1.9
2012	11,426,870	1.4	110,645,869	2.3
2007–12 change	892,687	8.5	−3,366,352	−3.0
Total annual wages (in billions of dollars)				
2007	\$421	—	\$5,058	—
2008	454	7.8	5,135	1.5
2009	476	4.8	4,829	−6.0
2010	491	3.2	4,934	2.2
2011	511	4.1	5,173	4.8
2012	532	4.1	5,444	5.2
2007–12 change	111	26.3	386	7.6

Note: Percentages may not sum to totals because of rounding.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In contrast to the steady growth that the nonprofit sector experienced, the total private sector employment, total annual wages, and the number of business establishments varied more with economic fluctuations. All three data series exhibited highly cyclical movements during the 2007–09 recession and the subsequent recovery.

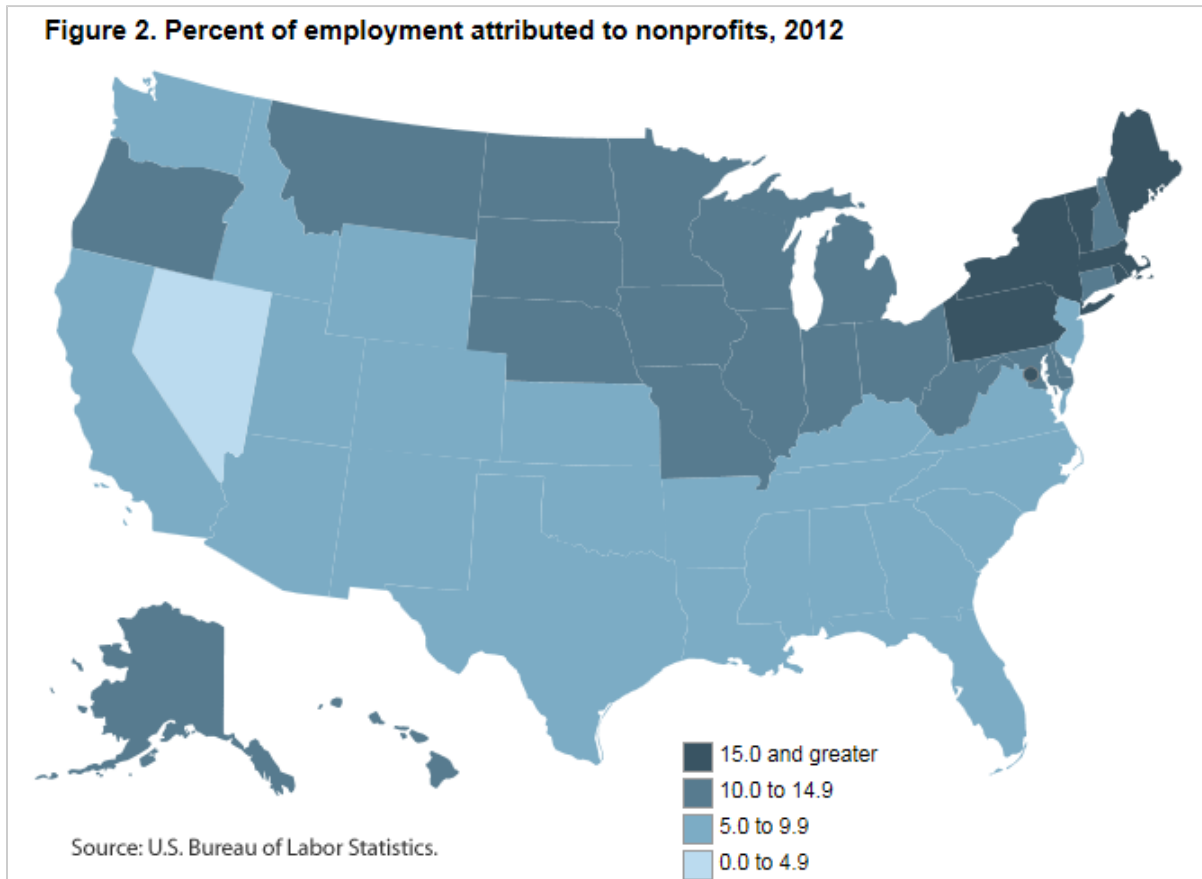


From 2007 to 2010, total private employment declined by 7 percent. Declines in nominal total annual wages and the number of business establishments were smaller than the decline in employment. Total annual wages only declined over the year for the 2008–09 period, whereas the number of business establishments fell for the 2008–10 period. As the economic recovery gained strength in 2011 and 2012, both total private employment and total annual wages grew faster than the nonprofit sector. (See figure 1 and table 1.)

The proportion of total private employment that is attributed to nonprofit organizations varies from state to state. Nonprofits compose a larger proportion of total private employment in the Northeast. A smaller proportion is found in the South and West. According the Johns Hopkins University research:

... the Northeast developed a robust tradition of private, nonprofit colleges and hospitals during the colonial era, whereas the West and Midwest, thanks in part to the network of public land-grant colleges fostered by the federal government after the Civil War, evolved a more robust public college system, and, in the post-World War II period, a significant for-profit health industry.¹⁰

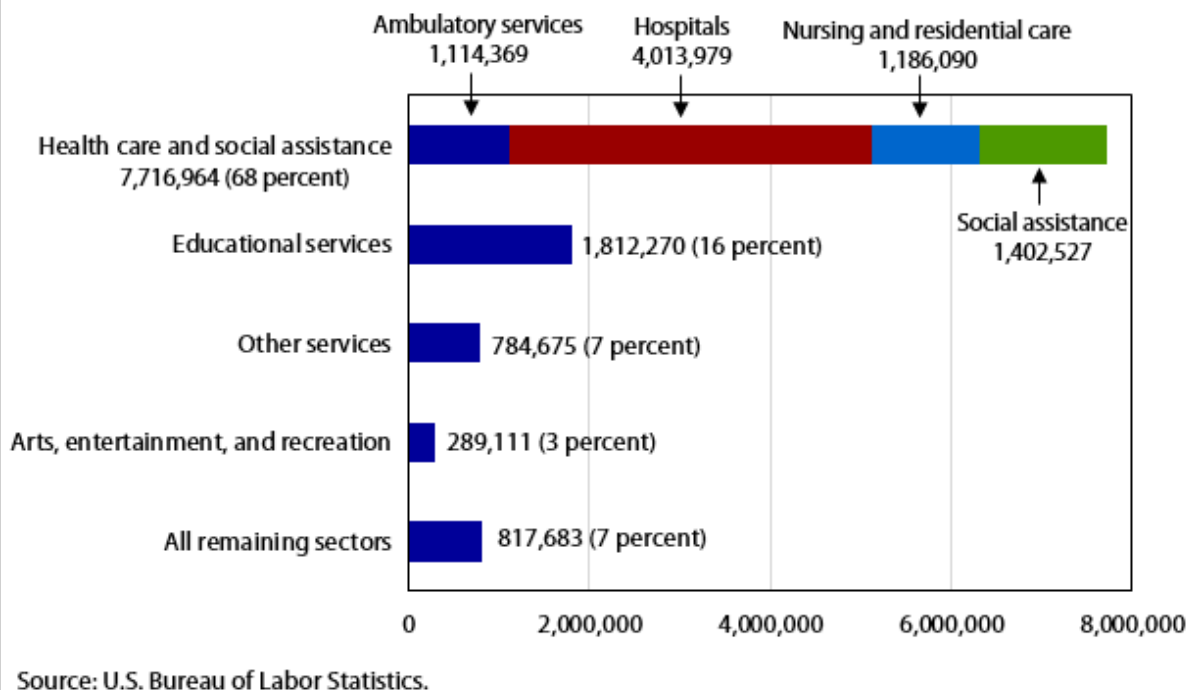
As of 2012, states with the largest and smallest percentage of nonprofit employment followed these historical developments. The District of Columbia had the largest percent of employment attributed to nonprofits at 26.6 percent, followed by New York and Rhode Island, each tied at 18.1 percent. The smallest concentration of nonprofits was found in Nevada (2.7 percent), followed by Texas (5.1 percent), and Alabama (5.4 percent). (See figure 2.)



A review of national industry-level data for 2012 yields important insights into the nonprofit sector. The proportion of total private employment attributed to nonprofits within a sector varies considerably from industry to industry. Nonprofits constituted 70 percent of total private employment in the educational services sector, the largest concentration of any industry. Healthcare and social assistance industry was the second largest (46 percent); followed by other services (17 percent); arts, entertainment and recreation (15 percent); and management of companies and enterprises (11 percent). A majority of nonprofits were concentrated in specific industries. At the national level, three sectors captured 90 percent of all nonprofit employment in 2012: healthcare and social assistance (68 percent), educational services (16 percent) and other services (7 percent). The healthcare and social assistance industry was composed of four subsectors, all of which contain substantial levels of nonprofit employment. The hospitals industry (NAICS 622), the largest subsector, accounted for 4.0 million jobs, over 35 percent of all nonprofit employment. This finding is followed by social assistance (NAICS 624) with 1.4 million employees, nursing and residential care (NAICS 623) with 1.2 million employees, and ambulatory services (NAICS 621) with 1.1 million employees. (See figure 3.) More than 98 percent of nonprofit employment in the other services sector was concentrated in the religious, grantmaking, civic,

and professional services subsector (NAICS 813). This subsector included such diverse organizations as churches, philanthropic trusts, conservation groups, scouting clubs, and homeowners' associations.

Figure 3. Total nonprofit private sector employment, 2012: 11,426,870



These industry concentrations varied considerably from state to state. Table 2 displays the 2012 state distribution of nonprofit employment for the following select sectors: healthcare and social assistance, educational services, other services, and all remaining industries combined. In all states and the District of Columbia, the majority of nonprofit employment was found in the healthcare and social assistance sector. The state with the greatest proportion of its nonprofit employment in this industry was South Dakota, with an 85-percent share. In contrast, the District of Columbia had the lowest share of nonprofit employment attributed to the healthcare field, only 31 percent.

Table 2. State-level distribution of nonprofit employment for select industries, 2012

States	Total private	Healthcare and social assistance		Educational services		Other services		All other industries	
		Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total
U.S. totals	11,426,870	7,716,964	67.5	1,812,270	15.9	784,675	6.9	1,112,961	9.7
Alabama	78,631	53,299	67.8	11,109	14.1	4,689	6.0	9,534	12.1
Alaska	32,699	25,126	76.8	1,331	4.1	3,120	9.5	3,122	9.5
Arizona	165,987	123,498	74.4	16,411	9.9	10,879	6.6	15,199	9.2
Arkansas	85,531	69,151	80.8	7,649	8.9	3,424	4.0	5,307	6.2
California	1,035,436	604,844	58.4	195,073	18.8	97,020	9.4	138,499	13.4
Colorado	146,137	100,165	68.5	11,086	7.6	10,746	7.4	24,140	16.5
Connecticut	199,884	132,166	66.1	43,703	21.9	9,242	4.6	14,773	7.4
Delaware	40,224	32,113	79.8	2,717	6.8	3,398	8.4	1,996	5.0

States	Total private	Healthcare and social assistance		Educational services		Other services		All other industries	
		Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total
District of Columbia	125,684	39,283	31.3	37,427	29.8	29,346	23.3	19,628	15.6
Florida	466,719	336,289	72.1	62,147	13.3	25,541	5.5	42,742	9.2
Georgia	237,384	161,102	67.9	43,224	18.2	13,534	5.7	19,524	8.2
Hawaii	56,318	32,382	57.5	11,109	19.7	5,609	10.0	7,218	12.8
Idaho	35,200	25,201	71.6	3,603	10.2	3,166	9.0	3,230	9.2
Illinois	549,092	361,214	65.8	104,564	19.0	44,548	8.1	38,766	7.1
Indiana	245,329	176,072	71.8	37,159	15.1	15,068	6.1	17,030	6.9
Iowa	142,735	104,548	73.2	21,331	14.9	7,883	5.5	8,973	6.3
Kansas	94,429	72,163	76.4	7,245	7.7	7,292	7.7	7,729	8.2
Kentucky	139,034	109,562	78.8	10,910	7.8	4,328	3.1	14,234	10.2
Louisiana	112,305	78,711	70.1	17,990	16.0	5,286	4.7	10,318	9.2
Maine	86,312	64,311	74.5	9,869	11.4	3,458	4.0	8,674	10.0
Maryland	268,202	182,772	68.1	44,316	16.5	14,955	5.6	26,159	9.8
Massachusetts	501,595	313,198	62.4	114,992	22.9	27,141	5.4	46,264	9.2
Michigan	383,099	292,987	76.5	39,285	10.3	29,636	7.7	21,191	5.5
Minnesota	328,019	253,301	77.2	29,925	9.1	17,586	5.4	27,207	8.3
Mississippi	53,847	40,841	75.8	6,451	12.0	1,864	3.5	4,691	8.7
Missouri	245,743	182,266	74.2	32,174	13.1	11,549	4.7	19,754	8.0
Montana	51,398	38,298	74.5	2,922	5.7	5,928	11.5	4,250	8.3
Nebraska	81,578	60,769	74.5	7,518	9.2	4,130	5.1	9,161	11.2
Nevada	26,584	19,131	72.0	2,263	8.5	1,670	6.3	3,520	13.2
New Hampshire	76,880	52,811	68.7	14,390	18.7	3,718	4.8	5,961	7.8
New Jersey	314,341	230,206	73.2	44,295	14.1	21,441	6.8	18,399	5.9
New Mexico	48,901	36,031	73.7	3,736	7.6	3,257	6.7	5,877	12.0
New York	1,297,883	804,457	62.0	254,716	19.6	100,390	7.7	138,320	10.7
North Carolina	283,453	189,215	66.8	47,174	16.6	15,916	5.6	31,148	11.0
North Dakota	50,775	41,638	82.0	1,449	2.9	2,903	5.7	4,785	9.4
Ohio	519,210	377,322	72.7	71,559	13.8	26,583	5.1	43,746	8.4
Oklahoma	79,252	57,132	72.1	9,099	11.5	4,551	5.7	8,470	10.7
Oregon	167,759	105,681	63.0	20,496	12.2	19,285	11.5	22,297	13.3
Pennsylvania	776,258	519,683	66.9	157,935	20.3	40,944	5.3	57,696	7.4
Rhode Island	70,841	43,892	62.0	16,179	22.8	5,225	7.4	5,545	7.8
South Carolina	80,542	52,433	65.1	13,192	16.4	4,669	5.8	10,248	12.7

States	Total private	Healthcare and social assistance		Educational services		Other services		All other industries	
		Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total	Levels	Percentage of total
South Dakota	48,143	40,848	84.8	2,193	4.6	1,875	3.9	3,227	6.7
Tennessee	185,759	125,255	67.4	31,581	17.0	12,021	6.5	16,902	9.1
Texas	454,673	297,748	65.5	80,067	17.6	31,537	6.9	45,321	10.0
Utah	67,090	43,469	64.8	14,199	21.2	2,522	3.8	6,900	10.3
Vermont	44,131	29,806	67.5	8,404	19.0	1,761	4.0	4,160	9.4
Virginia	253,605	148,358	58.5	35,718	14.1	25,731	10.1	43,798	17.3
Washington	226,168	153,824	68.0	20,533	9.1	15,763	7.0	36,048	15.9
West Virginia	71,895	59,786	83.2	3,815	5.3	3,180	4.4	5,114	7.1
Wisconsin	281,603	212,957	75.6	25,264	9.0	18,418	6.5	24,964	8.9
Wyoming	12,576	9,651	76.7	778	6.2	951	7.6	1,196	9.5

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

This relatively low share of nonprofit employment allocated to healthcare in the District of Columbia is not the result of a lack of nonprofits in healthcare. A look at employment in the healthcare and social assistance sector shows that this sector employs 62,563 private sector employees in the District of Columbia. Sixty-two percent of these jobs (39,283) are in the nonprofit field, the fourth highest percentage for the nation.

Instead, this low share can be attributed to the large and diverse number of nonprofits in the District of Columbia: many of these assorted nonprofit organizations can be found in the other services sector. Unlike in most states, this sector comprised a substantial portion of Washington, DC, total nonprofit employment, with 23 percent attributed to this industry. Conversely, South Dakota had only 4 percent of its nonprofit employment in the other services sector, the fourth lowest in the country. Kentucky had the lowest share, at 3.1 percent. (See table 2.)

Conclusion

The release of private sector nonprofit data has been useful to the public and has provided valuable insight into the workings of the nonprofit labor market. BLS leveraged the existing QCEW data and combined them with publicly available IRS data to construct a much-needed measure of this segment of the economy. These data may prove useful in improving measures of GDP and productivity. Building on the Johns Hopkins methodology, the BLS research data enhance the public's understanding of nonprofit organizations by including reimbursable organizations and the Commercial Banking sector, both of which were excluded previously. The resilience of the nonprofit sector during the 2007–09 recession demonstrates its importance to the U.S. economy. BLS welcomes comments and suggestions on these data. Comments can be submitted through the Business Employment Dynamics Help and Information web page (<http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/forms/bdm>).

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